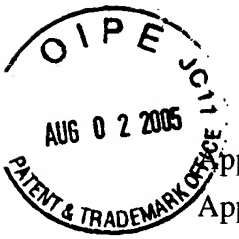


IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



Application Number : 10/733,489 Confirmation No. 7678
Applicants : Yaron ILAN, et al.
Filed : December 10, 2003
Title : REGULATION OF IMMUNE RESPONSES BY MANIPULATION
OF INTERMEDIARY METABOLITE LEVELS
TC/Art Unit : 1648
Examiner: : Emily M. Le
Docket No. : 59046.000042 (Formerly Enz-64(D1))
Customer No. : 21967

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT OF MAY 19, 2004

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

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Sir:

In the Office Action of May 19, 2004, the Examiner requested restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to one of Groups I-V, which are purportedly distinct inventions. Applicants hereby provisionally elect Group II, which covers claims 12-24, drawn to a process of treating a disease with the administration of a reagent, according to the Office Action, with **traverse**. Applicants hereby provisionally elect the species of infection, with **traverse**. Applicants hereby provisionally elect the species of viral, with **traverse**. Applicants hereby provisionally elect the species of HCV, with **traverse**. Applicants reserve the right to file divisional application(s) directed to non-elected subject matter.